

MINUTES

Hamilton Veterans Committee Tuesday, August 12, 2014 10:00 a.m. City Hall – Room 192

Present: Chair: Bob Fyfe

Members: Bill Eisan, Fern Viola, Art Tompkins, Councillor Merulla

Absent with Regrets:

Gerry Rattray, Harry McEwen, David Steckham, Councillor Pasuta

Also Present: Anna Bradford, Director, Tourism and Culture Division

Jen Anisef, Cultural Projects Specialist, Tourism and Culture,

Lee-Anne Dantzer, Minute Taker, Tourism and Culture

CHAIR'S REMARKS: Remembrance of Fallen Comrades

1. CHANGES TO AGENDA

Move Items 5.2 and 5.3 to beginning of the Agenda to accommodate staff schedules.

2. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

None declared.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING (Eisan/Tompkins)

3.1 Hamilton Veterans Committee Meeting Minutes, dated 8 July 2014.

CARRIED

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

4.1 HVC Events Information / Procedure Manual No update.

4.2 Parking for Veterans in Hamilton

Report will come forward in the New Year.

• Still forthcoming- Councillor Merulla will have something in the new year.

4.3 Veterans Place at Gore Park

- Cylinder found in Cenotaph will go to McMaster to be x-rayed.
- These types of cylinders were found in two other Cenotaphs with names listed inside.
- Feedback on renovations- good feedback, very positive with regards to the role of mothers, no negative, feedback was all very thoughtful.

4.4 Mini decoration days

Update: Art Tompkins

William J. Cumming, Chair, Ontario Provincial Committee, Air Cadet League of Canada attending the October 14 meeting.

- DECORATION DAY: proposal to have one event each year in June (east end one year, west end the following year) to help cut costs, increase attendance.
- Will wait until new Council is elected in the fall.
- Anna recommends conducting a study and having a public consultation new Mayor to declare a decoration day.
- Air cadet involvement and other involvement- make event larger than in the past.

4.5 Honorary Chairperson – Bill McCulloch

Draft report for review and signature by Chair.

- Bob signed report.
- Anna will call Bill McCulloch and speak with him before the September 8 ECS meeting.

4.6 Invitation to Minister of Veterans Affairs

Will be attending.

4.7 Adding Afghanistan to existing monuments

Update: Therese Charbonneau, Senior Conservator, generated a report. Will have it for next meeting.

5. STANDING ITEMS (includes all HVC hosted events)

5.1 Decoration Day – Woodland Cemetery

Tabled until 2015

5.2 Dieppe Memorial

Tuesday, August 19, 2014

Guest: Jen Anisef.

- Checklists handed out. Everything is in place for both events. Will have washroom facilities at Dieppe. Mayor will attend both events and will speak at East Hamilton.
- Bob will not be at Dieppe, will remove him from bugling section of programme.
- Joey Coleman- Will broadcast from the ceremony.
- Wayne Marsden may be at Dieppe.

5.3 East Hamilton Decoration Day

Sunday, August 24, 2014

Guest: Jen Anisef

- 2 versions of programme. One with large font and one without. Will use normal font (one page).
- Event to start no earlier than 1pm.
- Buses will load at 12:15pm.
- Mayor plans to take shuttle.
- Councillor Merulla requests to notify by-law with regards to parking.
- Will use wreaths from past year. Jen Anisef will bring the wreaths.
- Dundas Concert Band has committed for the next 5 years.
- Mayor will speak before God Save the Queen.

5.4 Remembrance Day

Garrison Parade – Sunday, November 9, 2014 City Service – Tuesday, November 11, 2014

Update: Bob Fyfe

- Bob will do a walk around with Pam Mulholland on the 27th of August.
- Two RSM's from regiment will also be there.
- Walk around at City Hall to be rescheduled.
- Need to prepare for Drum Head Service.

5.5 BUDGET Review

- Event Expense Review
- 2015 Budget Submission

Draft for review by committee and signature by Chair.

Bob signed report.

5.6 WWI Anniversary Commemorations

Plaque unveiling – Tuesday, November 11th after the service.

Staff Lead: Pam Mulholland

Working with Pam.

5.7 Upcoming Events

6. NEW BUSINESS

6.1 Annual Presentation to Standing Committee

Draft Presentation included for Emergency & Community Services Committee Monday, September 8 at 1:30 p.m., Council Chambers.

7. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 11 a.m.

Next Meeting: September 9, 2014

10:00 a.m. to Noon City Hall – Room 192